

### REMARKS

The restriction requirement alleges that **claims 1-3** are drawn to texture and classified in class 345, subclass 582, and that **claims 4-20** are drawn to histogram processing with gray level transformation and classified in class 382, subclass 169. The Applicants respectfully disagree.

Independent **claim 1** is drawn to a method for rendering an image described in a multi-colorant color space in a single-colorant color space. Independent **claim 4** is also drawn to a method for rendering an image described in a multi-color color space, in a single-colorant color space. Furthermore, it is respectfully submitted that any distinction between -- selectively adding texture to portions of the single-colorant version of the image --, recited in **claim 1**, and -- applying modulation to at least one gray scale version of the conflicting colors --, recited in **claim 4**, should not result in restriction.

Additionally, **claim 2** recites collecting a histogram, and **claim 3** recites examining the image to find color peaks in the image, which is also a reference to a histogram.

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that Group I (**claims 1-3**) and Group II (**claims 4-20**, as well as new **claims 21-23**) are all drawn to similar subject matter and should not require separate searches. Thus, each claim in the application should be examined.

Nonetheless, to address the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant elects claims 4-20 for further prosecution with traverse, and requests that the Examiner reconsider the restriction and examine all claims in the application.

Early favorable action on the application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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